Battle Creek Republican: In refusing t investigate the charges of York county citizens that the ballots of that county had been tampered with the state legislature discloses its own guilt. If everything relative to the recount had been fair and square why should the legislature hesitate to comply with the request of York county people, who have been outraged by the imputation that their election officials were dishonest in making up the returns of that county?

Auburn Granger: The recount is over and the results known, and the editor of the Granger has no apology so offer or tears to shed for having voted first, last and all the time against every motion, resolution or bill looking toward recount. We always believed that the recount of 1887, which declared the amendment increasing salary and extending time for legislative session carried, was an outrage upon the expressed will of the people, and we had fears that the recent recount would be a repetition of that of 1887

Red Cloud Argus: The recount of the ballots on the supreme court amendment has been officially declared a failure by the legislature, it being about 17,000 votes short of a necessary majority. Too much outside is probably responsible for the failure to bring to the front the necessary Though the republicans were denied s place on the recount committee they kept ch close tab on the proceedings that the conspirators did not dare carry out the The disposition was there, but fear of the wrath to come was too

Valentine Republican: Tuesday the legis lature ended the recenvars farce by declaring the constitutional amendment relating to the increase of supreme judges not carried This action was taken after the joint recan vassing board had submitted a report show-ing that the amendment had not received a constitutional majority, even according to the corrupt methods resorted to by the populists. After they had luggled the figures the emendment lacked over 17,000 votes of re-celving a majority of all votes cast at the election. The vote of Cherry county was changed from 562 for and 310 against to 1,165 for and thirty-four against. What could in Arizona, and near Toucha station. There show greater frauds then this? Is there a is little or no development there, and only man in Cherry county who believes that the outcroppings of rock have been mined, says recount committee has been honest with us? It should be remembered that most of the election boards in Cherry county last fall | pings that such men as D. E. Hubbard, who were composed of populists. Then if the recount shows anything it reveals a conepiracy on the part of the populists to de-feat the amendments by falling to make returns as provided by law. No guilty man

Seward Reporter: The farce of recounting the amendment ballots was concluded on Tuesday, the committee reporting to the legdelature that they had failed to find enough votes for the amendment to declare it carried. A resolution was therefore passed, de-claring that the amendment was not adopted. Thus ends the great farce, on which the greater part of the legislative session has been spent. The nerve of the cauvassers failed, or else they became fearful lest they should overdo the matter, and the counting in was not carried to its complete conclusion. There can be no question that the intent was to count enough affirmative votes to declare the amendment adopted, and to seat the populist judges on the bench. To that end the republicans from Douglas county were the bill rushed through, the ballots bis was put into execution. It is sad to think that all of this was unsuccessful, and that after all this scheming and planning. after all the crooked work done, the votes were not found and the populist judges will not be judges. Every trick and scheme the leaders of the populists could think of was used without avail, and the people foot the When the bill comes to be made up it will be seen that it cost a pretty sum, too. But the populist leaders will not care for that, their only regret will be at the failure

IOWA PRESS COMMENT.

Sioux City Journal: If Judge Kinne will make affidavit that he actually voted for Bryan, and produce precedents to show that it is considered undignified for an Iowa suindee to rush up and down street itors of the Manson Democrat, Alton Demo-crat and several others may be induced to lift the cover and let his boom roam at large

Cedar Rapids Republican: There is a class of demagogues abroad in the land who are making it a business to discourage any hopeful feeling that they see cropping out any where. They make a practice of around telling everybody they meet things are worse than they have ever been. Quite a number of these demagogues are writing editorials for political papers. They ought to take a perpetual vacation, for they are all lying when they say that things are not better than they were a few months ago

Dubuque Telegraph: The popularity of the mulct act is not increased by the recent de cision of Judge Holmes of Des Moines that every year the council must pass a new consent resolution, the saloon keeper file a new bond, and property owners within fifty feet of a saloon sign a fresh petition. Between complying with the mulct and taking th chances of violating the prohibitory act there not much to choose. But that the \$600 tax is a lien on realty one law would b icut than the other. Assuming that Judge Holmes has properly interpreted it. the requirements of the mulct are and unreasonable, and in need of modi-

TART TRIFLES.

Washington Star: "I never go to a sad play," said the young woman who poses "It is almost sure to make me cry, and then it is bad for my eyes." "Yes," replied Miss Cayenne, "and some-

Chicago Record: "It must distress your rife to be so delicate." "No; she likes it." "Likes it."

"Yes; every little while, you know, she thinks she is going to die; and she gets a new silk gown to be buried in."

Philadelphia North American: Gay Broker—I suppose Fil have to marry Johly? Puttey—Why? Gay Broker—Oh, she as all the gush letters, and I can't afford to allow my paper to go to protest.

Chicago Tribune: "It seems very strange o me," said Mrs. Embon Point, "that the artists who get up the fashion plates for women's magazines don't know that ex-cessively small waists have gone entirely out of style."

answered.

Shortly thereafter arrangements were made that will result in a wedding march being played a little later.

IN THE SPRING. In the spring the busy husband Buckles down to do his best,

Earning extra, to be spent for Little wifie's Easter crest.

In the spring a livelier business Cheers the man who deals in wheels; In the spring, too, there's house cleaning, And we live on frapped meals.

"THEY SAY."

They say!" Ah! well, suppose they do: But can they prove the story true? Suspicion may arise for raught But malice, envy, want of thought, sy count yourself among the "they no whisper what they dare not say!

"They say!" But why the tale rehearse
And help to make the matter worse?
No good can possibly accrue
From telling what may be untrue;
And is it not a noble plan
To speak of all the best you can?

"They say!" Well, if it should be so
Why need you tell the tale of woe?
Will it the bitter wrong redress,
Or make one pang of sorrow less?
Will it the criing one restore
Henceforth, to "go and sin no more?"

"Phey say!" Oh! pause and look within: See how your heart inclines to sin. Watch! lest in dark temptation's hour You, too, should sink beneath its power. Pity the frail; weep o'er their fall. But speak of good; or not at all. N. H. R.

Pulse of Western Progress.

As was reported in our dispatches last abale, arranged a treaty of peace terminatreck the town of Yuma has been wild with ing the Yaqui war, which has raged many carry period in the stampede he found that years between the Mexicans and those inweek the town of Yuma has been wild with ing the Yaqui war, which has raged many years between the Mexicans and those Inexcitement because of two finds of marvelously rich bodies of gold ore. At Pichaco mining district, some twenty-five miles the source from which have been drawn north of Yuma, on the California side of the the sinews of war, which condition has been Colorado river, where Dorsey and Jesse Grant of San Diego have been operating in gold mines of low-grade ore for several vesire, there are the Golden Dream and years, there are the Golden Dream and Noonday mines, owned by D. K. Allen. For reveral weeks, says a Pamona special to the San Francisco Chronicle, the men at those nines have been getting into rich ore, and Allen has been offered as high as \$175,000 for his mines. On Thursday men in both mines at almost the same hour ran ledges of ore that yield over \$3,000 to on. Four specimens from these ledges when assayed revealed no assay less than \$2,750 per ton. Twelve carelessly selected bits of

rock amayed \$3,120 to the ton. "I saw much rock that showed literally hundreds of bits of free-milling gold as large as match heads," said Colonel George F. Payne, a well known California gold miner for more than a century. "One chunk was brought down to Yuma from there, and it turned even the ignorant Indians upside down with excitement over the suddenly ound wealth. The chunk was weighed a 103 pounds and 4 ounces, -An assayer found that it contained \$108 worth of gold. I, mysolf, saw the ore in the Golden Dream mine that was worth from 60 cents to \$1 per pound. Oh, it is simply a wonderful mine and I don't believe its equal was ever known outside the bonanza ledge on the Comstock The ledges in the Pichaco district are all very large. One ledge of low grade there is even sixty feet wide. No man car tell yet what the dimensions are of the ledge in which this rich ore has been found, but it is certainly a good, big one,

RIVALS COMSTOCK LODE. "Right on top of the veins of the wonder ful mine in Pichaco district is the find at Gleason, twenty-seven miles east from Yuma, a Yuma dispatch to the San Francisco Call but so rich is the ore from these outcropsold the Harquahala mine in 1893 for \$2,000,000; William E. Prince of Denver and George V. Ball of Portland, Ore., are there offering to buy mines for sums of over \$100,-

The Gleason mine is the richest there. Ore from it has averaged over \$1,600 a ton for two weeks. Several assays ran to \$2,870 a ton. One hundred sacks of ore from it insane over the riches that are coming in upon him. He has been invited to consider an offer of D. H. Hubbard of Harquahala fame and riches of \$400,000 cash down for the Gleason mine. His friends advise him o sell for nothing less than half a million

"A fifty-stamp mill has been contracted for at Glesson, and if reports of other rich finds in that district are but half true, there will be a new set of millionaires on the Pacific coast in the next few years. If these fabulous finds hold out as have the Cripple Creek ledges, Yuma will be by far the greatest mining town on the whole Pacific coast in one year more.'

RICH COPPER FIND. What is undoubtedly a very rich find of copper has been made in the Crown Point, near Galena, says a Deadwood dispatch to the Sioux Falls Argus-Leader. They have now uncovered a ledge seven feet wide and followed it for a distance of forty feet, and are still on it. The ore runs from 15 to 32 per cent copper, about \$14 in gold and some silver. There are already about seventy-five tons of this ore on the dump. The copper in this ore is clear profit, as considerably more han all expenses will be paid by the precious metals. Efforts are now being made to secure railroad connection.

From every section of the Hills come good reports of discoveries and improvements. The newest finds are in the vicinity of Dumont, on the Burlington & Missouri campaign shouting for steen to one, the ed-itors of the Manson Democrat, Alton Demo-crat, and several others may be induced to the Ruby basins, where the Day of the Suby basi the Ruby basins, where the D. & D. Smeltuying many claims. Samples of silicious ores of high grade have come in from Boulder park, where some prospectors have been at work of late. Sev ral mines will be opened at once.

TO OPEN PECOS VALLEY. The Pecos Railway Construction and Land ompany has filed articles of incorporation in the secretary of state's office, says the Denver Republican. This company has in project a gigantic land reclamation and rail-road building scheme in the southeastern part of New Mexico. Some progress toward its accomplishment has already been m2de, and now the promoters propose to continue actively to its realization. Behind the enactively to its realization.

erprise are Colorado men, chiefly. The main object of the company is to open up the Pecos valley country, in the southeast of New Mexico, by running a railroad from Roswell, on the Rio Pecos, northeasterly through the territory to connect with the Rock Island road and the Fort Worth branch of the Culf system at Fort Worth branch of the Gulf system, at ither Amarillo, Washburn or Panhandle lity, Tex.

Connections on the south have already een made, as the Pecos & Northeestern railway, the nucleus of the projected big system, now runs from Roswell to Pecos, a station on the Texas & Pacific line. Ly-ing around Roswell is a rich tract of country, partially under agricultural and horticultural cultivation. Immense dams have been built across the Rio Pecos, near Roswell, and canals constructed for conveying water to the thousands of acres of land owned in that general vicinity by the Pecos Railway Construction and Land company. t is the company's intention to settle all this territory.

At present the outlet for the Pecos valley's resources is anything but convenient for shippers. From Roswell, fruit and farm products must be sent southward to the Texas & Pacific road, and to gain the eastern markets they have to go to New Orleans and Galveston by way of Houston, or else be shipped westward, and then northward over the Santa Fe. With the Pecos Valley & Northeastern road Worth and Rock Island, near Washburn,

extended from Roswell to strike the Fort lirect outlet to the east, making Kansas City and Omaha, and northward into Colo rado is obtained. In addition to opening up the reclaimable lands in the vicinity of Chicago Post: "My favorite march?" Roswell, the new line will also tap the rich cattle country through which it is to pass on its way to Washburn. This section has you."
"Oh, most any old wedding march," she now no railway transportation facilities.
The company owns the section of road which onnects Roswell with the Texas & Pacific

SMOKED THE PIPE OF PEACE. Information from the Yaqui river conveys the intelligence, says a Nogales (Ariz.) special to the Denver News, that on the 26th ult. Colonel Peinado of the Mexican to the Mojave desert gold fields in southern

dians. One of the features of this war has been always in demand on railways and hacten-das and in mines. Their habit was to come out of their country, work until they had earned sufficient money to provide selves with arms, ammunition and provisions, when they would return to the scene of hostilities and enter the ranks of the Whenever each man's ammunition was exhausted he would come out. earn money to buy more and return to his com-patriots to join in the fighting. In that way there was a stream of fresh fighters always going to the front, and they had secured their munitions of war from the very people with whom they were battling.

Very stringent regulations surround the sale of firearms and ammunition in Mexico, but the Yaquis found means to evade them. Many of their guns and ammunition were purchased in Arizona, where the active and efficient Yaqui laborers have found much employment, and one of the severest services of 'la gendarmeric fiscale' (the Mexi-can guards along the international line), has been to head off the importation of con-trabands of war destined for the use of the Yaquis. The new treaty of peace does away with all this and henceforth the Yaquis and Mexicans will dwell in harmony. The ceshostilities opens to exploration sation of large and very rich virgin mineral area, and already many parties of prospectors are out-

fitting to go in there. HUGE CONSOLIDATION SCHEME.

Two business men, just from New York, bring news that on Wall street the Northern Pacific railroad is considered as having al-ready passed under the control of President Hill of the Great Northern railway, says a Tacoma special to the San Francisco Chronicle. Hill, together with J. Pierpont Morgan, Henry W. Cannon, president of the Chase National bank, and Samuel Hill, son of James J. Hill, are now in Europe, bringing to an end negotiations with the Deutche Bank of Berlin and other European interests which, with the Hill family, control securi-ties of both the Great Northern and North-ern Pacific systems. Hill's extension from Montana to Puget

sound, built five years ago, has never paid expenses, because of the long haut through unproductive territory and his expensive switchback over the Cascade mountains. A sold for \$750 at the mines. They were bought by a speculator named Fenton from Los Angeles. Gleason is literally almost los Angeles. Gleason is named Fenton from Europe, though possibly it will be considered policy to put it into operation quietly. Within sixty days it is believed that Great Northern trains will use the Northern Pacific's tracks from Spokane west including the Tacoma terminals, thus saving several million dollars, which must othertollars, while others believe that there is wise be spent duplicating tunnels and termillion dollars in ore in sight there now. minals. minals.

Hill will thus secure one of the greatest

railroad combinations ever effected. Through the two transcontinental lines named he will control the Oregon Railway and Navigation company. A private telegram from New York indicates that he is also after the Oregon Short Line.

Hill has acquired the shore line of Bell-ingham bay clear to the Skagit county line. He recently purchased 142 acres of tide lands at Seattle, and is still dickering for control of the Tacoma Land company, which owns the tide lands here. Walter S. Milner, who is here investigating Hill's designs for the Minneapolis Times, believes Hill's maneuvers and purchases fully warrant the conclusion that he seeks to obtain control of every important harbor on the Pacific coast between San Francisco and Alaska. LYTLE CREEK PLACERS.

For many years the bed of Lytle Creek between Santa Barbara and the mountain source has been successfully worked for placer mining, says a Los Angeles dispatch to the San Francisco Call. The recent find of a \$50 nugget gave renewed zest to the work, but the prospectors had not given the last October to see what the hills would started to drive a tunnel into the hillside. It is now in to a depth of 100 feet and the workmen are in a ledge of gold-bearing quartz that runs \$125 to the ton.

Charles D. Lane, the millionaire niner, was sent for and he advised the syndicate to get control of every foot of land they could. He announced also that the ore could be worked for \$5 a ton by means of water power brought from Lytle creek by a flume a few hundred feet in length. Agents of the company went to purchas every claim available on the creek, and if the present prospects hold out there will b times up the creek this spring.

RICH FLOAT AT VERNAL. The gold excitement at Vernal is still on, though no vein in place has yet been located says a Salt Lake special to the Denver Re

The scene of the excitement is on the lowe end of the cedar ridge, about eight miles south and a half mile east of Vernal, where come exceedingly rich float, assaying as high in gold, has been picked up during

the past few months. Further up the ridge to the northwest sev eral croppings of mineralized rock have been uncovered which dip toward the main ridge indicating a blanket veln. Assays from these croppings run in eliver more than Some locations have been made on gold. gilsonite lands claimed by the Bullion-Beck company, of which T. R. Walley is manager, and should mineral be found, there would be a good chance for an argument between the Bullion-Beck company and the recent locator. Other locations have been made lower down on the ridge and over the line of the Uncompangre reservation.

A competent opinion of the field has no yet been rendered, but local prospectors are ufident of the future of the camp, and hundreds of men are at work there. Vernal on the White river not very far below the

William Stelton, one of the best known mining engineers at Bingham, is of the opin-ion that in the greater depths to be reached by the Bingham tunnel, below the water level copper will predominate.

That copper exists there has been dem onstrated in many ways. A fragment of iron thrown into the waters of the canyon has been taken out a few days later encrueted with metallic copper. From what source these waters have derived their metallic properties has never been more than the retically determined. The recent strike in the Starlus claim, which is among the group owned by the Bingham Copper Mining company, has thrown light upon it, but the whereabouts of the main copper body is yet to be determined.

army and Juan Maldonao, the chief of the California, has returned to Butte, says the Yaqui Indians, who is also known as Teti- Anaconda Standard. Mr. Little arrived at

the whole country for mass around has been staked out, many of the first arrivals having located as high as twenty claims each. As a consequence the district has not been pros-pected thoroughly enough to enable a person

to form an accurate idea concerning its rich

ness. What prospecting has been done, however, has failed to justify the glowing reorts first sent out about the fabulous richess of the newly discovered district.
"My opinion," said Mr. Little, "is that the camp will never amount to any great chakes. The veins thus far discovered are all small run off on the surface, showing no and run on on the surface, showing no evidences of permanency or unusual rich-ness. However, the placers have yielded good returns in many instances and nuggets worth from \$29 to \$100 have been found. It is a fact that dry washings have been made paid as high as \$100 a day to the man, But of course these instances are rare. There

must be a parent vein somewhere in the hills, but thus far it has not been discovered. For a district that has been boomed so much I must confess that I was disappointed in what I saw. There are undoubtedly some claims that are paying handsomely. Among the best properties are the Butte, Rands and St. Elmo. These mines are being worked with excellent results and it is possible that deep prospecting in the district may reveal the existence of rich ore bodic; though at the depth of 125 feet, the maximum reached by any shaft when I left, nothing had been found to warrant such a conclusion OSTRICH FARMING ON THE COAST.

It is estimated that seven ostrich farms a Southern California have sold over \$190,-000 worth of feathers during the past year, writes a correspondent from Pamona, Cal., and that now, after more than twelve years of costly and discouraging experiments, a majority of the ostrich farms in this region majority of the estricit farms in this region pay dividends. Several of the enterprises are pronounced successes, and have paid g od interest on the capital in them for several years. The greater part of the money invested in the production of catrich feathers and in the big birds in California has come from England and New York. The industry is a popular one for young Englishmen, fresh from college or the academics, and possessed from college or the academies, and possessed of ample means and a spirit of novelty for posiness pursuits. There are over fifty bright young men from England now engaged in managing estrich farms in this part of California, and there are others recently from London who are in search of suitable localities among the valleys and foothills in this region for new estrich farms. It takes a capital of \$15,000 to establish any sort of an strich farm, and \$25,000 to \$30,000 is rejuired for a first-class, well-stocked and cientifically arranged farm.

The men who have been in the ostrich plume industry in Southern California since plume industry in Southern California since (
1884 say that there has never been such a demand for extrich plunies as this season. The course arranged a lecture course to be delivered to the convicts in the prison. The course will consist of twelve lectures, one to engaged in ostrich farming is hoping that the present fashion for wearing estricit the present of the University of Wyoming. Dame Fashion has made their business and denly become most profitable, and every man engaged in ostrich farming is hoping that engaged in ostrich for wearing ostrich the present fashion for wearing estrich plumes in profusion will continue for several years.

Ostrich farming was first made an experinent at Los Angeles and Fallbrook in 1883. by a company of Frenchmen. The profits from the several octrica farms in this section have grown each year, as the habits of the birds have been learned and the estriches have become acclimated. There are now successful estrich farms at South Pasadena Fallbrook, Santa Monica, Coronado and Pomona. There are about 400 cetriches in Southern

alifornia, and they have become so common that none but the tourists, who come to spend the winter seasons here, take any curious interest in the birds. THE DAKOTAS.

Deadwood is soon to have a new institution in the shape of a foundry, which is being ullt. The building is nearly completed The plant will employ twenty-five or thirty Governor Briggs appointed C. A. Louns-

berry of Fargo, J. B. Power of Power, and C. B. Little of Bismarck, as Transmissis Exposition committeemen for North Dakota. The loss by flood at Fargo will be almost as bad as the big fire of 1893, which, while more destructive, left nearly \$2,000,000 of

insurance in actual cash, which, with the cheap labor and cheap material, built a beter city than had existed before A rich strike has been made on the Black Diamond mine in the Hills owned by Sterner Bros. They have been shipping good ore toing as high as \$75 and \$80, but they now Bros.

have a large body of extremely high grade ore, the average of it giving returns of \$204.20 to the ton. This is of a blanket formation hirty to sixty feet wide. One of the pitiful sights attendant upohe flood was the flight of deer, antelope nd other wild animals from the timber along the river to the hills. A large num-ber were drowned, while others floated off own stream on large cakes of ice. A ranch nan living near by lassooed, from a row boat,

everal deer that were endeavoring to swim brough the raging torrent. Fifteen passenger coaches, jammed full of nmigrants, followed by a freight train of cars, containing household goods and ock, arrived at Cando, N. D., last week. portion of them were dunkards. They are an intelligent, thrifty tooking class of people. and come here with considerable money and roperty, prepared to take lands and improve

them at once. Ne farms in the vicinity. Nearly all will locate Chief Engineer Miller of the Yankton-Norfolk railway says that the road will be com-menced in time to complete it within this year, also that he has purchased 208,000 ties. That they are of the best cedar and that hen they are delivered at Yankton and other points on the road the cost will be in neighborhood of \$90,000. He says this order is the largest and the price th

favorable of any made this season in the northwest. The artesian well near Bonilla, which has been flowing for nearly two years, has broken loose and is flooding the surrounding vicinity. Last fall an attempt was made to decrease the diameter of the stream by attaching a smaller outflow, and it is thought that the great pressure thus brought to bear As there is no natural outlet for conveying the water away, the question of how

dispose of it is becoming a serious one o farmers in this vicinity. Thomas Evans, who owned a flock of 1,709 heep on Knife river, has lost about 1,000 ead, owing to not having hay enough. Evans made a bad run for county superinendent of schools last fall, instead of put-ing up hay for his stock, and lost both. The loss on cattle and sheep in this section will be heavy. Stockmen will be agreeably disappointed if the loss falls short of 50 per cent both on cattle and sheep, a large num-ber of young stock having been brought in last fall, and the mortality among them wil

COLORADO Over 900 sheep were killed on the Paterson ranch at Byers by the recent storm. The Flying Dutchman at Lump Gulch, the recent discovery of P. Peterson, is showing up finely, and assays from the pay streak

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to any kind of a picture adds to its

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give values of \$15 in gold and 384 ounces of lver to the ton.

The Home Place Artesian Well company expects to begin work on its wells early in April, having purchased machinery of its own, says the La Junta Tribune.

A big strike has been made in the Late Acquisition, near Aspen. The peculiar feature is its immense body, no bottom, no top or sides having yet been encountered.

A letter from Fulford reports that Nelson and the Rood brothers, who have been ing the Silver King all winter, in the Holy Cross district, have struck gold ore, carry ing some lead, worth \$90 per ton. Another strike is credited to a miner named Graham J. McDonald, an old miner in the camp, has a 10-foot vein of tale which runs \$5 in gold to the ton. It will concentrate to advantage

W. H. Wiley and W. H. Smith, the Indiana bicycle men, opened out a rich body of ore in the Edgardine mines, on Seaton untain, while doing development work, and several tests just made returned for ter inches of the streak nothing less than \$190 and on up to \$150 per ton. There is also two feet of solid ore by the side of the richer streak worth from \$40 to \$50 per ton. and also some mill dirt. It is one of the best strikes on Seaton mountain. John Osgood opened a wonderful pocket

of gold in the Grattan mine on Farncomb hill at Breckenridge, Mr. Osgood has a lease on the mine, and was looking for a promising place to commence work, with somewhat discouraging prospects, when he lecided to investigate an old and long-ilsused drift. While feeling his way carefully, for the drift was in dangerous ground there was a sudden cave in the roof great mass of rock falling almost at Mr. Osgood's feet. As he started back to avoid the falling rock he noticed the gleam of n tallic rock, and when he deemed it safe proceeded to investigate. The results were s startling that he rushed out of the tunnel and shouted to a companion: "Come in here John: I've got a wheelbarrow full of gold. With due allowance for his excitement he find are remarkably fine specimens, weighing a pound and a half. WYOMING.

The charcoal kilns that have become almost a landmark near Evanston are to be

torn down. A couple of prospectors, who have been for some time working on Indian creek, a few miles east of Huston, have just opened up an eight-foot vein of ore giving average values of \$30 in copper to the ton.

Culleton and Brown have a vein of coppe ore four feet wide, which averages 22 per cent. This property is situated on the hill west from the junction of Purgatory creek with the south fork of Grand Encampment. The Hecla, on Jordan creek, about a quarter of a mile south of the Purgatory, at Grand Encampment, is a seventeen-foot vein of hornblende quartz giving values of \$21 in gold. Burke and Doyle, two Colorado prospectors, are the lucky ones.

Rev. J. W. Taylor, the philanthropic the professors of the University of Wyoming. The first lecture was delivered this afternoon by Dr. Ridgeway of the university.

"Elk in Jackson's Hole must have oper weather soon," writes a resident, "or the major portion will succumb to starvation. Settlers have to guard their haystacks night and day, and at times use force to eject the animals from the corrals. Two horses have already been killed by vicious bull elk and their dangerous character is too well known to cavil good naturedly to their whims when they stand pat on your haystack."

News comes from Rawlins that the Wes Side association at Fourmile, in addition to the vast capital already spent in the con-struction of canals, etc., is figuring on workits ground on a larger scale. will add a number of new plants on the same principle as the ones on the ground, with sufficient capacity to handle 5,000 cubic yards of gravel every twenty-four hours. Notwithstanding the gold is very fine, it is claimed fully 90 per cent of it can be

Messrs. Hammond and East had a bunch 400 head of cattle wintering four miles outh of Chevenne. Their foreman reports that the probable loss in this bunch a'one will exceed 20 per cent. N. R. Davis, a prominent cattleman whose ranch is thir-teen miles south, estimates his loss at about 5 per cent, and states that it may be nuch more. The snow in the vicinity of Cheyonne lies a foot and a half deep on the level any previous spring. The air is at times d from six to ten feet deep in the guille the country north of Cheyenne, but as the storm was most severe in that section the eses will be proportionately heavy.

OREGON. More beef cattle have been shipped from lazelle this season than any preceding win-About 700 carloads have gone since

September. The town of Fossil is considerably excited ver the discovery of gold about one mile

rom town, on top of the hill above Squire Donaldson's ranch. A barge loaded with 150,000 feet of lumber belonging to Goering & Co., sank near the dishermen's cannery in Astoria. The lumber

vas washed up on the beach and can be saved. The Coquille river is cutting away the sand behind the south jetty, at Bandon, and will in time, if let alone, cut a channel clear through to the ocean leaving the breakwater

The lambing season has begun in Crook and sheepmen are busy preparing The animal measured seven feet from tip Quite a number will have to dip to tip, and the carcass was shipped to Spotheir flocks after shearing this season as the tobe mounted, the seab is prevalent in some localities.

There are no potatoes for sale at Green-leaf, on Lake creek, in Lane county, and in Prineville, in Crook county, the conee and sugar supply is running low. Be-cause of the bad roads, the Prineville merchants have found it difficult to keep stocked The Pacific can factory at Astoria turned

out 22,000,000 cans last year, 8,000,000 of which were shipped to the Sound. Superintendent Kendall says he expects to manufac-The building stone industry over in the

icinity of Elk City is growing. The Ploncer quarry has always had a market for all the stone the force could turn out, and now the quarry of Arthur Rochester, in the same vicinity, has closed a contract for supplying San Francisco firm with all the stone that can be quarried. A movement is on foot in Albany to or

ganize a company for the purpose of engag-ing in the manufacture of barrels, staves, The plan is to organize a company by popular subscription of stock at \$5 per share, erect the necessary buildings, purchase the nachinery and employ a competent man who inderstands the business to superintend it. Thomas Simpson says that while at his me in the northern part of Ashland, the

other day, a deer was seen to cross the Heiman field toward Bear creek, and the household and the neighbors were called together to see this unusual sight of a wild deer within the corporate limits of town. The animal had probably strayed from a deer path that leads from mountain t

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was not far from the truth, as he took out farm a short distance below, and the deer explains the status there. It is employing nearly \$2,500. About fifty ounces of the appeared frightened and ill at ease in making more men and has a bigger pay roll than ing its way over fences and amid a num-ber of borses whose attention it attracted.

A trapper of the name of Powell, who has been hunting and trapping on the Malheur river south of the agency valley this winter, reports to the Vale Advocate one of those prodigies of nature known as a wild man. The Advocate says the biped is of gian stature, being at least seven feet high, having long and massive arms that reach to its knees, while the whole body is covered with

urly, glossy hair. A correspondent of the Nebalem Times A correspondent of the Nehalem Times says that another rich gold find has been made in front of A. J. Cloutrie's place, on Cannon beach; that on this claim, from every shovelful of dirt taken off the surface, from fifty to 500 colors can be seen, or n other words, a yellow rim of the precious metal outlining the black sand. The first claim, he says, would pay all the way from \$2 to \$5 per day with sluice-boxes, but this but this last find will pay without a doubt \$10 per day.

WASHINGTON. Castle Rock is to have another shingle

Spring wheat around Tekoa is in excellent ndition, but farmers have to pay \$12 a ton

This will be one of the latest springs the 31g Bend country has ever experienced, a harbinger of good crops. Several of the stockmen about Waterville

are preparing for a spring roundup to see how many of their stock they have lost during the winter. I. N. McCarty of Zillah is reported to have raised thirty-five tons of potatoes on five icres of land without cultivating the ground after the first planting.

An order for 30,000,000 feet of lumber has or South Africa, by F. R. Lingham, a Johannesburg capitalist.

Mecker yards have had their first plowing and Foreman Cotter's men are now scalping. The much-talked-of rural free mail delivry system was inaugurated in Yakima county. work.

lays.

Spokane counties.

ilive with flying geese, and many big "kill From all parts of the state the repor-omes that the surplus cattle are all being brought up and shipped out, so that there is likely to be a marked advance in the price of cattle during the coming year.

The big dryhouse of the Cedarville Shingle company at Nugent's Ferry, in Whatcom county, was destroyed by fire with about 105,000 singles. It was one of the largest and best-constructed dryhouses in the coun

J. W. Thomas, who is authority on bject, as he threshes most of the grain in he Kittitas valley, says the wheat acreage in the valley this year will be the largest ever known, and he thinks the prospects for a heavy crop were never better. John Ludwig, living four miles north of Chewelah, shot and killed a mountain lion not more than 300 yards from his house the other day. The beast had been killing young stock in the neighborhood for several weeks and a partly consumed deer was found lying about fifty yards from where he was killed

The log drives in the Palouse are making ome progress, although the river is too ligh for speedy driving. The Palouse Lumber company's drive has arrived in Palouse nd is tied up, waiting for the Elberton and colfax drives to pass. On account of the lack of snow during the winter the necessary logs could not be banked, hence each drive is short, one of them 1,000,000 feet. However, enough will reach the mills to keep

them busy most of the summer.

At McCoy's camp, in Skagit county, a ture more cans this year than last. The huge tree was blown upon a valuable logging company paid \$22,000 duty on timplate on engine, demolishing it. The engine had just of the bunkhouse was also smashed and a valuable horse killed. Over eighty were blown across the logging road. Richard Garlund lost a valuable horse, which was killed by a falling tree. At Sedro the un-completed dry klin of Reed & Green was blown down and a man seriously if not fatally injured. On the Skagit flats numerous barns were unrocfed. MISCELLANEOUS.

The Menterey Whaling company captured a small whale near the Del Monte (Cal.) bath

house recently. A company has been incorporated with a capital of \$25,000 to build a cannery at Redlands. It will have a capacity of 25,000 cans A strange fish with a bead like a dog is reported in Washoe lake, in Nevada. It is

o have seen it. "There is but one genuinely live town in W. Lyman of Helena, he west, says A. Mont., "and that is Butte. The Anaconda copper mines, that vast concern which makes profit of from \$5,000,000 to \$6,000,000 a year,

about six feet long, and several parties claim

ever before, and its employes get the highest rate of wages paid anywhere. An eight-foot gold-bearing ledge assaying \$40 per ton has just been discovered at the

Bald Hill mine at Angels Camp, Cal. The discovery was made about 200 feet from the old shaft. Professor William Dyche of Ramona made a trip to Smith mountain in California refornia condors that he had located. This

species of bird is very rare and the eggs are valued at about \$100 each. It will no doubt create surprise to know that mining for diamonds is now being carried on in golden Cariboo, says the Spokane Review. A deposit of the blue clay similar to than found in Kimberly was recently discovered and several small diamonds have

been found. At the meeting held in Salinas, Cal., a few days ago for the purpose of doing something toward building an electric road, committees were appointed to solicit subscriptions. The proposed road is to be four and a half miles ong and will cost in the neighborhood of

Lord Sholto Douglas, a son of the marquis of Queensberry, has paid his \$5 at Westmin-ster and taken out a free miner's license, allowing him to prespect for minerals in British Columbia. This is the young peer who created a sensation some years ago by marrying an actress in San Francisco. He is now with pack on back and pick in hand trying his luck in the Pitt and Harrison Lake districts.

An Indian, accompanied by two squaws, was an arrival recently at Austin, Nev. He carried a leather value and had his blankets wrapped in a shawl-strap. After numerous inquiries as to where he and his party could een placed with the Tacoma Mill company find hotel accommodations, and upon being informed that there were none, was heard to mutter: "Ugh! Austin h—l of a town." And The Puyallup Commerce says that hops the disgust which overspread his dusky tre already up a few inches, that the big countenance was more expressive than words,

The pocket in the Eureka at Murray, Idaho, struct, several weeks ago, still holds much-talked-of rural free mail deliv-ystem was inaugurated in Yakima y. Two carriers are engaged in the The experiment will continue thirty composed matter from which the gold saved A patent has been received at the Spokane by the rocker is taken, the balance being land office conveying title to the Northern Pacific Railway company to 25,000 acres of land in southeastern Stevens and northern garding the strike and visitors are no longer allowed in the tunnel. The value of free gold only sixty feet. No stoping ha

yet been done. FATHER OF THIRTY-NINE.

Family So Large that Not All of Them Are Acquainted. Dave Vititoe, 16 years old, a malarial patient at the City hospital, is blessed far beyond the average mortal in the ties of blood. says the St. Louis Republic. He is much be-familied. In fact, though Dave is acquainted with most of his brothers and sisters, there are two or three to whom he has never received an introduction. When it is known that the children of his father,

has never received an introduction. When it is known that the children of his father, a wealthy farmer and horse trainer in Breckinridge county, Kentucky, numbered at last reports thirty-sine, this circumstance will not seem remarkable.

The elder Vititoe has been three times married. His oldest son is 47 years of age. That is also the age of his present wife, the mother of Dave, by whom he has had twenty-two children. There are thirteen children younger than Dave, who is 16 years old. Dave's private opinion is that the total number of children is forty, as he has not heard from home for some time.

Of this immense family, twenty-seven children, according to Dave's best recollection, are now alive. Just how many are boys and how many girls he is not able to say, but he is convinced that the boys except the very little chaps are earning their own living, though Dave says the old man is in a position to support them all, should it become necessary. Most of them are jockeys or horse trainers, having inherited the father's love of horse flesh, and having, as Dave says, "grown up with the colts in the stable." Three of them, Dave Joe and Hunter, are connected with the St. Louis Fair association.

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One remarkable feature of this immense family is that there has never been a dupilicate birth. There are no twins, triplets, or other combinations. Dave is a dark-skinned, curly-headed, bandsome boy, light of frame, as is necessary for a fockey, and yet seemingly fairly rugged.

All the boy's statements regarding the remarkable size of his family are fully substantiated by S. M. Ho s another patient, a cigarmaker, whose address is 1301, Washington avenue, but whose home is in Louis-yille, Ky. He knows the father and many of the sons of this remarkable family, and knows the total number of children to be thirty-nine, as represented. He and Dave occasionally engage in discussions as to the name of some member of the Vititos family of whom they may have occasion to speak. Dave says he has met all his brothers and sisters save three, who live in Louisville.

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